



SOUTHWEST RESEARCH AND INFORMATION CENTER

We're Hiring!
***Community Liaison on
 the Pueblo of Laguna***
Application Deadline: Open Until Filled



PRINCIPAL PLACE OF WORK: Pueblo of Laguna and Albuquerque, NM with both in-person and remote work arrangements.

POSITION AND DURATION: Full-time, for at least three years through 2026.

SALARY AND BENEFITS: \$40,000 to \$60,000 per year, depending on education and experience, plus travel reimbursement, health insurance and continuing education benefits after 6-month probationary period.

Southwest Research and Information Center (SRIC), a not-for-profit multicultural educational and scientific organization based in Albuquerque, N.M., seeks a resident of the Pueblo of Laguna to fulfill SRIC's role in a government-funded research project aimed at investigating adverse environmental effects and public health impacts of past uranium mining. This position will involve regular contact with Pueblo officials and residents, operation and maintenance of air particulate monitors, involvement in surface water quality monitoring, testing of agricultural soils, participation in development of a Pueblo human research code, and collaboration with Native artists in science communications. The successful candidate will have community-engagement responsibilities bridging Western and Indigenous science in collaboration with university and NGO partners. Ultimately, we are looking for a person with passion for community-engaged research that advances environmental justice for frontline communities.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS: Three-year commitment with benefits; available to work full time (40-hour week) with occasional weekend and evening work; valid driver's license and proof of insurance; flexibility to work in-office and remotely as circumstances warrant; ability to pass a criminal background check.

PREFERRED QUALIFICATIONS: College degree (either AA or BA/BS) in the environmental or biomedical sciences, including environmental public health, water quality, earth sciences, climate change, and traditional ecological knowledge; interest and willingness to continue their education; demonstrated skills in English writing, public speaking, and basic computer applications (e.g., word processing, spreadsheets/databases, power point, Access, pdf

making, etc.); and demonstrated ability to speak the Keres language and familiarity with Laguna cultural and traditional practices.

JOB DESCRIPTION: The principal duties of this position are serving as the liaison to the Pueblo of Laguna for the UNM METALS Superfund Research Center, of which SRIC is a partnering organization. The UNM METALS Superfund Research Center is funded by the National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences for environmental health research and is not affiliated with USEPA's Superfund regulatory programs. This position, which can be based in Laguna or at SRIC's Albuquerque office, will require day-to-day engagement with Pueblo villages, residents and officials on a wide range of activities, from reserving information booths at Feast Days and writing articles for the TownCrier to maintaining air particulate monitoring instruments and working with SRIC and METALS scientists on community report-backs and listening sessions. In the future, the position may also entail planning and development of community-based clean water and clean energy applications, if funding is secured. The successful candidate will have a demonstrated connection to their Pueblo community and its culture, language and history. Knowledge of or personal experience with the impacts of uranium mining will be helpful. This position requires flexibility for some evenings and weekend work, good English writing skills, knowledge in environmental assessments of air, soil and water, familiarity with human research protections and informed consent; participation in organizational planning and development, and interests in bringing clean water and decentralized clean energy to tribal communities.

EDUCATIONAL BENEFITS: SRIC is committed to facilitating advanced education among staff members, and for this position will offer financial support for continuing education at the undergraduate and master's levels following the successful completion of a 6-month probationary period. This benefit will be offered in exchange for a commitment to work for SRIC for at least three years

APPLICATION PROCEDURES: Interested candidates should send a letter of interest, résumé and at least two references, three writing samples, and copies of their driver's license and proof of liability insurance to SRIC, P.O. Box 4524, Albuquerque, NM 87196, or by e-mail to sric.chris@gmail.com. Please do NOT submit your application materials by facsimile. SRIC is an equal opportunity employer. Indigenous women and undergraduate students are encouraged to apply.

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